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(As Amended by House Amendment Schedules "A" and "B")

"AN ACT RESTRICTING THE USE OF METHOPRENE."

- 1 Strike section 1 in its entirety and insert the following in lieu thereof:
- 2 "Section 1. Section 22a-45d of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 3 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):
- 4 (a) The Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection, in
- 5 consultation with the Commissioners of Public Health and Agriculture
- 6 and the Director of the Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station,
- 7 shall establish a [contingency] plan, within available appropriations,
- 8 for the [spraying] <u>use or application</u> of larvicide to control mosquitoes.
- 9 [in the event of an outbreak of infectious disease in any human or
- animal population due to mosquito infestation.
- 11 (b) Not later than September 1, 2012, the plan described in
- 12 subsection (a) of this section shall be updated to establish: (1) A

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13 prohibition on the use or application of methoprene in any storm drain 14 or conveyance for water within the coastal boundary, as described in subsection (b) of section 22a-94; (2) a record keeping, reporting and 15 16 Internet posting requirement for the use or application of methoprene 17 for mosquito control within the coastal area, as described in subsection 18 (a) of section 22a-94, by any municipality or the state; and (3) a pilot 19 program to evaluate the retail sale and use of methoprene for mosquito 20 control within the coastal area, as described in subsection (a) of section 21 22a-94, that is labeled for mosquito control in streams, storm drains, 22 storm gutters and bird baths to ensure that such methoprene use is 23 consistent with the labeling requirements of such methoprene product.

- (c) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (b) of this section, methoprene may be introduced into a storm drain, wetland or other body of water where mosquito larvae are found or suspected if such introduction is recommended by the mosquito management coordinator at the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection to prevent an increasing threat of mosquito-borne disease, based on an evaluation of mosquito and mosquito larvae surveillance by the Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station in accordance with the state's Mosquito Management Program.
- (d) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (b) of this section,
 the updated plan shall not authorize any ban on the use of methoprene
 for a period of not less than one year following any confirmed
 mosquito-borne illness in the state."

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